

HOUSE BILL 290

By Coley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 7 and Title 9, Chapter 4, relative to the state's annual budget and appropriations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-7-104(b), is amended by deleting the language "the appropriation bill," and by substituting instead the following:

the K-12 education appropriations bill, the general appropriations bill,

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-5106(a)(4), is amended by deleting the second sentence and by substituting instead the following:

These bills shall include a K-12 education appropriations bill, a general appropriations bill and such other bills as may be required to provide the revenues necessary to finance the budget. The K-12 education appropriations bill shall authorize, by spending entities and by funds, all expenditures of the state government for kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) education for the next fiscal year. The general appropriations bill shall authorize, by spending entities and by funds, all expenditures of state government for all purposes, other than K-12 education, for the next fiscal year.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-5108(a)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(1)

(A) The K-12 education appropriations bill, required by § 9-4-5106(a)(4), shall be drawn in such form as to authorize only lump sum appropriations to meet the K-12 education expenditure needs of the various spending entities of state government for the next fiscal year.

(B) The general appropriations bill, required by § 9-4-5106(a)(4), shall be drawn in such form as to authorize only lumps sum appropriations to meet the remaining expenditure needs of the various spending entities of state government for the next fiscal year.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-5108(c), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(c) Neither the K-12 education appropriations bill nor the general appropriations bill shall contain any provisions of general legislation.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-5108(e), is amended by deleting the language "the appropriations bill may specify" and by substituting instead the following:

the K-12 education appropriations bill or the general appropriations bill may specify

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-5108, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

(f) The general appropriations bill shall be considered for final passage by the senate or the house of representatives only after final passage of the K-12 education appropriations bill by both the senate and the house of representatives.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-5109, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

The governor may amend or supplement the governor's recommendations as to the K-12 education appropriations bill while that bill is before the general assembly and may also amend or supplement the governor's recommendations as to the general appropriations bill while that bill is before the general assembly.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to fiscal year 2010 - 2011 and subsequent fiscal years.